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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, According to information compiled by the Governor's Office of Executive Appointments, the State of Illinois has over 300 boards, commissions, task forces, councils, and authorities (referred to as "boards and commissions"); and

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WHEREAS, These boards and commissions are created by statutes, resolutions, and Executive Orders to serve a variety of advisory and substantive functions; and

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WHEREAS, There are cumulatively hundreds of members on these boards and commissions; and

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WHEREAS, Compensation to members of boards and commissions ranges from set salaries, stipends, or per diems to reimbursement of expenses only; and

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WHEREAS, State agency directors and employees often serve as members of board and commissions or provide administrative support to boards and commissions, or both, in addition to performing their regular duties; and

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WHEREAS, According to findings of the Auditor General, some boards and commissions are not fulfilling their mission,

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1 including boards and commissions that were never established,
2 were established at one time but are now inactive, have
3 long-term vacancies, have members serving expired terms, or
4 have failed to meet periodically as required; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the Auditor General is
7 directed to conduct a management audit of the State's boards
8 and commissions; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That the audit include, but not be limited to,
10 the following for every known State board and commission:

11 (1) its name, authority, year of creation, and purpose;

12 (2) the number of appointed members and their date of
13 appointment, and the number of vacancies and length of
14 vacancy;

15 (3) costs of member stipends, salaries, and per diems
16 and expense reimbursements to members and State officials
17 and employees for attending board and commission meetings
18 during Fiscal Years 2007, 2008, and 2009;

19 (4) the date and place of each of the board and
20 commission's meetings during Fiscal Years 2007, 2008, and
21 2009 and the number of members in attendance and the number
22 of members absent;

23 (5) identification of any report or work product
24 prepared and made available by the board and commission

1 during Fiscal Years 2007, 2008, and 2009; and

2 (6) any other requirements applicable to the board and
3 commission and whether those requirements were met during
4 Fiscal Years 2007, 2008, and 2009; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That all State agencies and boards and
6 commissions and any other entity having information relevant to
7 this audit cooperate fully and promptly with the Auditor
8 General's Office in the conduct of this audit; and be it
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That the Auditor General commence this audit as
11 soon as possible and report his or her findings and
12 recommendations upon completion in accordance with the
13 provisions of Section 3-14 of the Illinois State Auditing Act;
14 and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be delivered to
16 the Auditor General.